

BILL NO. 99-31

COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 99-31

Introduced by Council President Hirsch at the request of the County Executive

Legislative Day No. 99-21 Date July 6, 1999

AN ACT to repeal and reenact, with amendments, Section 9-28, Membership; terms, and Section 9-32, Powers and duties, of Article VI, Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Council, of Part 2, Nonbinding Advisory Boards, of Chapter 9, Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies, of the Harford County Code, as amended; to change and increase the ex-officio members of the Council and to amend the powers and duties of the Council; and generally relating to the Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Council.

By the Council, July 6, 1999

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: August 3, 1999

at: 6:45 p.m.

By Order: James E. Massey, Jr., Council Administrator

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on August 3, 1999 and concluded on, August 3, 1999

James E. Massey, Jr., Council Administrator

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment. Language lined through indicates matter stricken out of Bill by amendment.

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Section 1. Be It Enacted By the County Council of Harford County, Maryland that Section 9-28, Membership, terms, and Section 9-32, Powers and duties, of Article VI, Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Council, of Part 2, Nonbinding Advisory Boards, of Chapter 9, Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies, of the Harford County Code, as amended, be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, all to read as follows:

Chapter 9. Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies

Part 2. Nonbinding Advisory Boards

Article VI. Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Council

§9-27. Creation.

There is hereby established the Harford County Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Council.

§9-28. Membership; terms.

A. The Council shall consist of:

(1) As ex officio members:

(a) The County Health Officer.

(b) The Regional [Mental Health Director] CORE SERVICE AGENCY LIAISON.

(c) The regional representative of the [Addiction Services] ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE Administration.

(d) The County Alcoholism Coordinator.

(e) The County Drug Abuse Program Coordinator.

(f) THE COUNTY ADOLESCENT DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM COORDINATOR.

(G) The Director of [Mental Health and Addictions] THE CORE

1 SERVICE AGENCY.

2 [(g)] (H) The Drug/Alcohol Impact Coordinator.

3 (I) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE HARFORD COUNTY
4 OFFICE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

5 (2) The following members, appointed by the County Executive and confirmed
6 by the County Council:

- 7 (a) A representative of the County Executive.
- 8 (b) A representative of the county public schools.
- 9 (c) A representative of the Local Department of Social Services.
- 10 (d) A representative of the Local Juvenile Services Agency.
- 11 (e) A representative of the County Department of Parks and Recreation.
- 12 (f) A representative of the State Division of Parole and Probation.
- 13 (g) A representative of a law enforcement agency.
- 14 (h) An individual who has received or is receiving mental health care.
- 15 (i) A representative of the Local Council on Alcoholism.
- 16 (j) Two [(2)] employees of alcoholism treatment programs in the county.
- 17 (k) An employee of a drug abuse treatment program in the county.
- 18 (l) An individual who is a relative of a mental health care recipient.
- 19 (m) Three [(3)] members of the public who have an interest in the
20 provision of mental health services in the county.
- 21 (n) Two [(2)] members of the public who have an interest in the problems
22 of alcoholism.
- 23 (o) A representative of the clergy.

(p) A practicing physician.

(q) A mental health professional who is not a physician.

(r) A representative of the Mental Health Association.

(s) A representative of the legal profession.

(3) A member of the County Council, appointed by the County Council.

(4) A representative of the residential unit of a state mental health facility that serves the county, appointed by the Director of the Mental Hygiene Administration in accordance with §10-309(a)(2) of the Health-General Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

B. The term of an appointed member is three [(3)] years and begins on July 1. At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies. A member who serves two [(2)] consecutive three-year terms may not be reappointed for three [(3)] years after completion of those terms. The terms of the appointed members are staggered as required by the terms provided for the members on January 1, 1988.

§9-29. Officers.

From among its members, the Advisory Council shall elect annually a Chairman and any other officers it finds necessary. A member may not serve as Chairman for more than two [(2)] consecutive years.

§9-30. Compensation.

The members of the Advisory Council shall serve without compensation.

§9-31. Meetings; staff.

The Advisory Council shall meet at the times and places it determines. The County Health Officer shall provide staff services for the Advisory Council.

§9-32. Powers and duties.

1 A. The Advisory Council may create committees and obtain the participation of
2 additional individuals, as it finds necessary.

3 B. The Advisory Council shall:

4 (1) Be a county advocate for a comprehensive approach to the prevention and
5 treatment of mental illness and addictions.

6 (2) Provide representatives for site visit teams that evaluate mental health and
7 addictions facilities and programs in the county.

8 (3) Periodically review the availability and quality of mental health and
9 addictions facilities and services, including aftercare services, in the county.

10 (4) Determine the needs of the mental health and addictions programs in the
11 county.

12 (5) Advise the County Health Officer, County Executive, County Council and
13 the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene on the progress of the county mental health program
14 and on any action needed to improve the program.

15 (6) Submit an annual report on the progress of the county mental health and
16 addictions programs to the County Health Officer, the County Executive and the County Council.

17 (7) Set priorities for allocation of funds.

18 (8) In accordance with those priorities and after consideration of the available
19 financial resources, recommend the appropriate allocation of funds.

20 (9) Assist the County Drug Abuse Program Coordinator, THE COUNTY
21 ADOLESCENT DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM COORDINATOR and the County Alcoholism
22 Coordinator in annually revising the county drug abuse program and the county alcoholism plan,
23 respectively.

1 (10) Review and comment on state and federal grant applications by the county
2 drug abuse, mental health and alcoholism programs.

3 [(11) Give information and advice to the State Drug Abuse Advisory Council and
4 the State Alcoholism Advisory Council.]

5 [(12)] (11) Help in program evaluations, where appropriate.

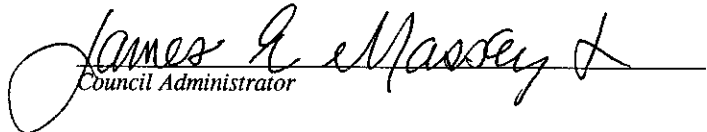
6 [(13)] (12) Review the State Comprehensive Drug Abuse Control Plan and the
7 State Comprehensive Intoxication and Alcoholism Control Plan.

8 [(14)] (13) Assist the Drug/Alcohol Impact Coordinator in annually reviewing
9 the prevention program.

10 Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted that this Act shall take effect 60 calendar days from the
11 date it becomes law.

EFFECTIVE: October 8, 1999

*The Council Administrator does hereby certify that
fifteen (15) copies of this Bill are immediately available for
distribution to the public and the press.*


Council Administrator

HARFORD COUNTY BILL NO. 99-31Brief Title) Mental Health & Addictions Advisory Board

is herewith submitted to the County Council of Harford County for enrollment as being the text as finally passed.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

ENROLLED

James E. Massey, Jr.
Council Administrator

[Signature]
President of the Council

Date 8-3-99Date 8/3/99

BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed: LSD 99-22

Failed of Passage: _____

By Order

James E. Massey, Jr.
Council Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 5th day of August, 1999 at 3:00 p.m.



James E. Massey, Jr.
Council Administrator

BY THE EXECUTIVE

James L. Harbin
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: Date August 9, 1999

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill (No. 99-31), having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, becomes law on August 9, 1999.

James E. Massey, Jr.
Council Administrator

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 8, 1999